

VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Bland County Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse located in Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-seventh day of March 2007, 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Karen H. Hodock, John C. Thompson, Jason R. Ramsey, Henry Blessing

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator; Carol Hall, Deputy Administrator;  
Frank Slavin, County Attorney

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Karen Hodock called the March 2007, regular meeting to order.

#### INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Supervisor Mr. Blessing.

#### PLEDGE TO FLAG

Chairman Mrs. Hodock led the pledge alliance to the flag.

#### MARCH 27, 2007 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the March, 2007 meeting agenda with the addition of a closed session was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the bills for the month of March, 2007, in the amount of \$479,607.30; the March 1, 2007 and March 16, 2007 payrolls totaling \$142,362.48; minutes of the Regular meeting of February 27, 2007; reports from the Treasurer, Building Official, Public Works Director, Meals & Lodging and Recycling was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

#### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Marty Hallway, VDOT Resident Engineer, appeared before the board and advised updates to include: 1) the Rt. 622 bridge work progressing; 2) Rt. 612 road project submitted; 3) sidewalks off Industrial Drive to be installed; 4) guardrail footage costs; and 5) the Rt. 607 Rustic Rd Concept Project.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES JANUARY 2007 REPORT APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to accept the January 2007, Social Services report in the amount of \$49,771.87 with the local allotment of \$10,793.23, was made by John Thompson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

#### ADDITIONAL 2006-07 CSA BUDGET REQUEST APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve an additional supplement to the CSA 2007-2008 budget, in the amount of \$13,034.00, with a local share of \$2,748.87, for a state mandated service on a school child, was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by John Thompson.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

### SCHOOLS APRIL 2007 REQUISITION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve and appropriate the April, 2007 school board's request in the amount of \$750,000.00; approve the meeting minutes of February 26, 2007, approve the check registers and vendor payments dated; 1-25-07, 1-29-07, 2-01-07, 2-13-07, 2-20-07, 2-23-07, 007, 01-11-2007, 01-16-2007, 1-17-2007, and 01-09-2007 was made by Jason Ramsey; seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

### TREASURER REPORTS

Treasurer, Joann Shewey appeared with an update on office activities, the recent dog legislation passed, FOIA issues, and in-house certification classes completed.

### COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE REPORTS

Cindy Wright, Commissioner of Revenue spoke to the board regarding the telephone tax excise tax refund.

### ANIMAL CONTROL REPORTS

James Belcher, Animal Control officer advised of the dog vaccination clinic scheduled for April 28, 2007, the new dog legislation and presented an update on the fire which killed the dogs in the Mechanicsburg District.

### E-911 REPORT

Willie Howlett, E-911 Coordinator and Emergency Services Coordinator presented the April 2007 E-911 monthly report of activities.

### SMYTH-BLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

Harry Shupe, library representative, reported the latest statistics and advised of the April 14, 2007, event being held at the library by Mr. Dodson's class.

### RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Randy Moler, representative, appeared with an update on activities of the committee.

### COUNTY ATTORNEY

Frank Slavin updated the board regarding the Abandon Mobile Home judgement.

### ASSIGN A HIGHWAY PROGRAM RESOLUTION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Assign-A-Highway Program Resolution, superseding the former resolution was made by John Thompson, seconded by Henry Blessing.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

### BREWSTER FIREWORKS PERMIT APPLICATION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Fireworks Permit Application of Roger Brewster, for July 1, 2007 at the Hollybrook Community Center ballfield, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES & VITAL CO INTEREST RESOLUTION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Telecommunications Services & Vital County Interest Resolution declaring April 8-14 as National Telecommunication Week, was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

2007-2008 SOLID WASTE COLLECTIONS AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the amendment to the Solid Waste Collection Agreement to expire 6-30-08, reflecting a 4% increase, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY GRANT APPLICATION RESOLUTION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Regional Water Supply Grant Application, with MRPDC doing the grant writing and management for the County, with no cash contribution required was made by John Thompson and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

APPROPRIATION TO 07-08 BUDGET APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve an additional appropriation to the 2006-2007 expense budget and to the revenue budget for a Hardware Grant received in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the Hollybrook and Rocky Gap Fire Departments and a Training Mini-Grant in the amount of \$8,000.00 received for the Little Creek Fire Department, both from the VA Dept of Fire Programs, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE F/Y 2007-2008 RENEWAL

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to continue the employee health insurance coverage through The Local Choice Program for the 2007-2008 year was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by John Thompson.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes, and Jason Ramsey, abstaining. The motion carried.

NACO PRESCRIPTION DRUG CARD

An update was provided on the usage and savings to county residents utilizing the NACO Prescription Drug Card, by the County Administrator.

ABANDONED MOBILE VEHICLES REMOVAL PROGRAM UPDATE

The County Administrator reported 32 vehicles todate have been removed from within the county under the Abandoned Mobile Vehicles Removal Program

CLOSED SESSION

\*\*\*\*\*“Move to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, subparagraph 1 of the Code of Virginia was made by John Thompson and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

“Move to return to Regular Session, adopt the certification and waive the reading of the certification of a Closed Session but certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed was made by John Thompson, seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

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This meeting was continued until 5:00 p.m. on April 11, 2007,

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Karen H. Hodock, Chairman

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Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator